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Title: **TITANIUM OXIDE PRODUCT METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME AND ITS USE AS A PHOTOCATALYST**

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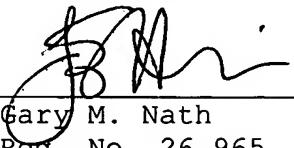
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